



September 17, 2021

**STAFF ATTORNEY POSITION
(Elder Benefits/Housing)**

Elder, Health and Disability Unit

Greater Boston Legal Services (GBLS) is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity/Accessible Employer and strives to ensure that our staff members reflect the diversity of the communities we serve.

Greater Boston Legal Services (GBLS) seeks a staff attorney with 1-5 years' experience to work in the Elder, Health and Disability Unit. The staff attorney's responsibilities will include assisting low-income individuals obtain federal public health and income benefits, with a focus on Social Security disability benefits and Medicare. The staff attorney will develop SSI/SSDI cases and represent clients appealing denials and terminations at administrative hearings and in Federal District Court. The staff attorney will also challenge Medicare denials of coverage for medical services and equipment to which elders and people with disabilities are entitled, from advice to appeals in federal court. Since the position is situated in the Elder, Health and Disability Unit, the attorney will have opportunities to work with other advocates in the unit on cases involving Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program (SNAP), Emergency Aid to the Elderly Disabled and Children (EAEDC), Transitional Aid to Families with Dependent Children (TAFDC), MassHealth, and elder housing. The responsibilities may involve administrative advocacy and legislative work on public benefits issues.

The attorney will be sited at the GBLS's Boston office. However, at present due to COVID-19, most work will be handled remotely with limited work done in the office. This requires the ability to be able to effectively work remotely.

Qualifications: Candidate must be admitted to the Massachusetts Bar. This position is for an attorney with 1-5 years' experience. We are seeking someone with a commitment to social justice. We are looking for a candidate who has the cultural competence to work with and advocate on behalf low-income and diverse populations. We are seeking an attorney with excellent oral and written skills. Knowledge or understanding of federal (SSI/SSDI, Medicare) or state benefits (TAFDC, EAEDC, SNAP, MassHealth) is preferred.

Salary is based on a union scale, which begins at \$61,500 for an attorney with one year of experience. GBLS offers a generous benefits package, retirement contribution, a student loan repayment assistance plan for eligible attorneys, and generous PTO leave. Candidates should submit letter of interest, resume and brief writing sample to the

Personnel Team via email at jobs@gbis.org. Please refer to **Job Code: EHD-ATT** when applying for this position. **Deadline is October 29, 2021**, or until position is filled.

GBLS values diversity and encourages applicants from a broad range of backgrounds and experiences.